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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	James E. Issler
Serial No. 10/625,967	Filing Date: July 24, 2003
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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Response to First Official Action**

In response to the Official Action of July 2, 2004, Applicant herewith presents its amendment and remarks. Please amend the specification and claims as detailed below.

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MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT  
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**Response Transmittal and  
Calculation of Fee for Claims**

Dear Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for this Application in response to the Official Action of July 2, 2004.
2. The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

Claims after amendment	22	
Number already paid for	<u>20</u> = 2 @ \$18.00 =	\$36.00
Independent claims after amendment	3	
Independent claims already paid for	<u>2</u> = 0 @ \$86.00 =	<u>.00</u>
Additional Claims Fee		\$36.00

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3. Fee Payment. Attached is a check in the sum of \$36.00. This is also a petition and a request to charge to Account No. 19-4516 for any additional extension and/or fee as may be required or credit for any excess fee paid.

Respectfully submitted,

August 11, 2004



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